

## SELECTION

There is one application and testing process for the SEAL Program, STEM Program and Accelerated ENGLISH Program.

The SEAL Program, STEM Program and Accelerated ENGLISH Program are offered to Grade 6 students each year. Students sit one aptitude test to determine their suitability for acceptance into any of the three programs. The aptitude test takes place on Friday 3rd May 2019 beginning at 9:00am over approximately 3 hours, at a cost of \$75.

Student and parent interviews may be required.

Students who sit the aptitude test for all three programs are eligible to apply for a variety of Year 7 Scholarships (a separate brochure and information sheet are available on request).



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# 2020

### ACCELERATED LEARNING PROGRAMS

#### SEAL PROGRAM

#### STEM PROGRAM

#### ACCELERATED ENGLISH

## PROGRAMS

In 2020, Mill Park Secondary College will be offering opportunities for students in Years 7 - 10 to accelerate in three specialised programs.

- The **SEAL Program**  
(Select Entry, Accelerated Learning);
- The **STEM Program** (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics); and
- The **Accelerated ENGLISH Program**.

## APPLICATION

Please fill out and return the attached expression of interest form to the College, to receive a full set of application forms.

An important Information Evening for the SEAL & STEM Program and Accelerated English will be held at **7.30pm on Monday 18th March 2019**, in the Middle Years Campus Library.

Application forms must be completed and returned to the College no later than **Friday 29th March 2019**. Payment of \$75 must be received by **Friday 29th March 2019** before the testing date of **Friday 3rd May 2019**. Further enquiries should be directed to Andrew Self.



## Expression of Interest FORM

**Please fill in and return to the  
Middle Years Campus office:**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary School: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Residential Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 2020 SEAL PROGRAM



Mill Park Secondary College offers a Select Entry Accelerated Learning (SEAL) Program for students identified as gifted and talented. The program begins in Year 7 and continues throughout their secondary schooling. It caters for gifted and talented students who are characterised by an advanced speed of learning and a capacity for remarkably high standards of performance compared to students of the same age. Selected students are placed in accelerated classes enjoying the intellectual stimulation of peers with similar learning profiles.

The curriculum provides faster paced, rigorous, research and problem solving based learning. As students accelerate through year levels, additional areas of study may be undertaken such as extra VCE units and University extension studies.

The SEAL Program at Mill Park Secondary College aims to provide flexibility and freedom of choice:

- Students complete their first four years of secondary schooling in three
- Students may choose to use the time gained through acceleration to broaden their VCE studies and boost their ATAR score
- Students may elect to study university units whilst completing Year 12
- Students may complete additional VCE and VET subjects to broaden their career pathways.

## 2020 STEM PROGRAM

In 2020, Mill Park Secondary College is offering an Acceleration STEM Program to a selected group of students commencing at Year 7.

The STEM program is a Science based subject which includes interdisciplinary elements of Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. The STEM subject integrates elements of the four subjects into a cohesive Science program, based on real world applications.

The Acceleration STEM program is designed for students with above level Mathematical skills as well as a clear interest in Science and Technology.

Acceleration STEM students will meet the benchmark for their Science subjects a year in advance of their year level, which means they will meet the Year 10 benchmarks by the end of Year 9. Students will then be encouraged to follow a pathway of VCE Science and Math subjects, commencing in Year 10.

## 2020 ACCELERATED ENGLISH

In 2020, Mill Park Secondary College is offering an Accelerated English Program to a selected group of students commencing at Year 7.

The Accelerated English program will mirror the SEAL English subject in terms of its text selection and degree of rigour. The Accelerated English subject is a hybrid subject designed to prepare students for all three VCE English subjects - Literature, Language and English.

Accelerated English students will meet the benchmark for their English subjects a year in advance of their year level, which means they will meet the Year 10 benchmarks by the end of Year 9.

Students will then be encouraged to complete two VCE English subjects and can still complete an early Year 11 VCE subject of their choice in Year 10.